FISCAL NOTE

SB 3718 - HB 3792

March 15, 2006

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires all fire service assistants to the Commissioner of Commerce and Insurance to complete a sixteen hour fire service training course within one year of becoming an assistant.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenues – Exceeds \$4,000/Fire Academy
Increase State Expenditures – Exceeds \$12,000 Recurring/Fire Academy
\$3,800 One-Time/Fire Academy

Increase Local Government Expenditures - Exceeds \$1,200/Permissive

Assumptions:

- Approximately ninety-six persons will receive training on an annual basis. Of this number, approximately twenty-nine will be employees of a local government fire department and approximately sixty-seven will be volunteer firefighters.
- The mandate of the Fire Academy is to offer subsidized courses to state and local government employees and volunteer firefighters with a goal of recouping approximately 30% of costs.
- The state will receive revenues from course fees.
- The course will be taught at the Fire Academy and will be a two-day course.
- The state will receive revenues from fees for housing and meals from students who choose to stay in the dormitory at the Academy and eat in the cafeteria.
- A one-time increase in state expenditures for course development.
- A recurring increase in state expenditures for instructor fees, printing student manuals and to house and feed students who choose to stay in the dormitory at the Academy and eat in the cafeteria.
- An increase in local government expenditures to the extent a local government pays the expenses of its employees who take the training course.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director